

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is unacceptable and the FCC should not have allowed the company to operate its stations in this fashion.

The FCC's lack of consideration in this decision with respect to the timing of Sinclair's decision to broadcast this material in its entirety and within the context of Sinclair's duopoly status in some American markets has generated the impression that the FCC is conducting itself in a political manner and is not fulfilling its function for the American people.

The FCC, by allowing Sinclair Broadcasting to operate in this fashion is itself perpetrating a gross violation against the American viewing public. The position of the FCC in announcing its decision of inaction is appalling and deserving of further investigation and scrutiny of this decision.